read it to them they might know the Terms they were to get Lib. C. B. out on; that he this Deponent complied with the request and No. 20 whilst he was reading some of the Prisoners interrupted him several times and appeared in Liquor; that John Doncastle one of the Prisoners desired him this Deponent to walk to another Window for he wanted to have some Conversation with him that he went accordingly when Doncastle seemed in a very good Humour and told him with Tears in his Eyes that the Prisoners were using both themselves and the Sheriff Ill, for they were Drunk but for his own part he had been Eating the Sheriff's Victuals and drinking his drink and that he hoped it would be in his Power to make him Satisfaction for it And further asked the Deponent if he did not remember a Writ Served on him the said John Doncastle at the Suit of Daniel Jenifer when a Prisoner to Charles Somerset Smith late Sheriff and further said it was a Shame, on a fair Settlement of their Accounts he would owe him at least Two hundred Pounds And further saith not.

Belain Posey.

Charles County ss^t 25th of April 1770 The above Deposition was taken before me One of his Lordship's Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid John Winter

Charles County ss^t We the Subscribers Inhabitants of Charles County having at the request of Richard Lee Esq^r Sheriff of said County viewed the County Goal of the County aforesaid find it altogether out of Repair and Insufficient and that the Sheriff could not safely attempt to confine therein any Debtor or Criminal Committed to his Custody.

Given under Our hands

The County Goal is not in repair fit to Detain Prisoners in Safe Custody nor can it be put in such Repair for the Sum allowed by Act of Assembly Walter Hanson W. Smallwood Archibald Clarke Rob^t Mundell Dan^l Jenifer James Key Ja^s Craik Barnes & Ridgate John Craig Gerrard Fowke Phil: R^d Fendall

The following are Transcripts of the Records of the Prison- p. 109 ers Debts in Charles County Goal

In the Records and Proceedings of the Provincial Court April Term 1766 is the following Judgm^t Viz.